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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

SUBJECT: Procedures Followed for Execution of IDEALIST Missions

1. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this paper is to outline procedures and actions which are taken by the responsible offices within NRO, NPIC, CIA, and DIA. It is not intended that any basic responsibilities for security or functions be changed as a result of this agreement, but rather as a means of insuring coordinated and knowledgeable action on the part of all.

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COMOR
DIA
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2. At a meeting held this date in [redacted] office at Langley (CIA/OSA/OPCEN) in which the above list of attendees participated, the following procedures were agreed upon concerning the handling of IDEALIST Missions in the Far East and Sino-India Border Areas.

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SECURITY - It was restated and understood by all that information concerning pre-mission planning in all aspects was extremely critical in terms of maximum security.

a. Post-mission results and information about the mission will fall into its rightful classified element as far as the operational aspects are concerned.

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b. Classification of products and security handling of products are as prescribed by USIB ^{via} (vis-a-vis) COMOR.

PROCEDURES

a. OPCEN

(1) OPCEN will provide alert messages to appropriate addressees to include DIAXX and the JRC. In these alert messages, the processing facility designated to handle that particular mission will be indicated by OSA acting for NRO. OPCEN will notify the processing facility of the impending arrival of film as far in advance as possible within the limits of security.

b. NPIC

(1) NPIC, in close conjunction with OPCEN/OSA flight planning element, will continue to ascertain the objectives for each flight, and pass these with appropriate background information to the designated readout facility when notified by OPCEN that the flight has landed. NOTE: This normally should provide 10-12 hours lead time for the designated readout facility to be prepared.

(2) NPIC will include DIAXX, CINCPAC, and PACAF as info addressees on the objectives message to be sent. NPIC will provide titling instructions to the field processing facility, Eastman Kodak or AFSSPPL, as appropriate.

c. DIAXX

(1) DIA will ensure that appropriate coordinated (with NPIC) instructions are prepared for the field readout facility to include the following items as a minimum: requirements for readout;

i.e., SITSUMS, IPIRs, etc; security requirements; method of

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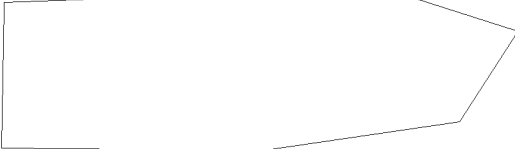
dissemination of readout; duplicate film requirements; and, any peculiar arrangements relating to third party agreements.

d. FOR ALL

(1) Communications with the field processing facility

 will include the following as info addressees: OPCEN, NRO, NPIC, and DIAXX.


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*Concur providing attached comments (BYE-15615-63) are incorporated.

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